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1288, Houston TX 77208 (Houston Div	vision)	PROOF OF CLAIM						
Name of Debtors	Case Number							
X_Stage Stores, Inc., a Delaware corporation Specialty Retailers, Inc., a Texas corporation Specialty Retailers, Inc. (NV), a Nevada corporation	00-35078-H2-11 00-35079-H2-11 00-35080-H2-11	788-19971 Creditor ID#:						
place an "x" beside the name of the Debtor you are filing a claim gainst		United States Bankruptcy Court Southern District of Texas						
lame of Creditor (The person or other entity to whom the debtor owes noney or property):	Check box if you are aware that anyone else a filed a proof of claim relating to your claim.	FILED						
Empire Electric Company	Attach copy of statement giving particulars.	JUN 3 0 2000						
lame and address where notices should be sent:	Check box if you have never received any notices from the bankruptcy court in this case	Michael N. Milby, Clerk						
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Joplin MO 64802-1787	Check box if the address differs from the address on the envelope sent to you by the							
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account or other number by which creditor identifies debtor:	Check here replaces if this claim amends a prev	iously filed claim, dated:						
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Services performed	Your SS#:	<b>-</b>						
Money loaned Personal injury/wrongful death	Unpaid compensation for services	performed						
Taxes	from to	<u> </u>						
_X Other <u>Utilities</u>	(date)	(date)						
Date debt was incurred: 06/01/2000	3. If court judgment, date ob	tained:						
.' Total Amount of Claim at Time Case Filed: \$ <u>667.95</u>								
If all or part of your claim is secured or entitled to priority, also completed.  —— Check this box if claim includes interest or other charges in additional charges.  additional charges.		Attach itemized statement of all interest or						
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